



Gundagai Public School

NEWSLETTER

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Week 2 Term 2

Principal: Mrs Vicki Somerville

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It was wonderful to see so many Gundagai Public School students attend the ANZAC march on Saturday. Our school was represented by almost 100 students who displayed exemplary behaviour and genuine respect for and appreciation of the meaning of ANZAC day. Thank you to the parents who braved the elements and made the effort to ensure their children represented our school on this important occasion and to the staff members who marched with our students on the day.



Last Thursday representatives from each class assisted Mr Hartshorn plant our vegetable gardens with plants suitable for winter. Each class will tend their stage garden, on a rostered basis, and hopefully get to sample some of the freshly grown produce at a later date.



ANZAC EXCURSION

Stage 3 students were given the opportunity to discover Gundagai's connection with the ANZACs as well as find out more about Gundagai's local history.



SPORTING ROUNDUP

PSSA RUGBY LEAGUE TRIALS

It was wonderful to hear of the outstanding success achieved by the two Highlands teams at the Riverina Rugby League trials held at Leeton last Friday. Both teams were undefeated on the day and displayed skill, camaraderie and sportsmanship, with four boys from our school gaining selection in Riverina teams. Congratulations to Caleb Piper, Cody Bell, Kaiden Bell and Jack Lloyd who were selected in Riverina Rugby League teams and to Riley Bethune who was named as a shadow. Caden and Cody are now members of the under 11s team and will travel to Tamworth on 2nd June, Jack and Kaidan are now members of the Open team and will travel to Cronulla on 16th June. Congratulations boys. We are very proud of you.



TOUCH FOOTBALL

Highlands touch football trials held last Thursday in Tumut were of a particularly high standard with all students displaying exemplary behaviour and sportsmanship. Congratulations to Abbey Polsen, Kaidan Bell, Jack Lloyd and Riley Bethune (shadow) for their selection in the Highlands Touch Football teams which will now play at the Touch Riverina selection trials later in the term.

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

The School Cross Country will be held in Gundagai Public School Grounds this Friday 1st May. All students are in daily physical activity in preparation for our Cross Country and are developing their fitness skills to run longer distances. 5-7 year olds will run 1000m; 8-10 year olds will run 2000m and 11-12 year olds will run 3000m. Races will begin at 11:15 am.

At the conclusion of the run children will have the opportunity to purchase a special lunch which is being organised by the Year 6 parent body. Parents and friends are invited to be part of this special sporting occasion so we hope you can join us on the day. ***Students who suffer from asthma need to carry their puffer.***

FOOTSTEPS DANCE PROGRAM

Our Footsteps Dance Program began last week and will continue every Wednesday for the rest of the term. This program is very popular with our students and already our instructor Alicia, has taught the students a number of dance moves that will be incorporated in our musical production later in the year. Our Footsteps Dance Program will run for 10 weeks and cost per student \$32.50.

The methods of paying for this program is a one off payment of \$32.50 or an initial payment of \$12.50 and four weekly payments of \$5.00

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

The NSW Premiers Reading challenge has begun and this year we are encouraging all students to take up this challenge.

Mrs Bull and Mrs Craig are happy to assist students locate PRC books and show you some of these if you pop into the Library. With teacher and parent support the Premiers Reading Challenge is a fun way to deliver reading opportunities to all of our students.

Remember children must bring a library bag to borrow books from the library.

OPPORTUNITY CLASS PLACEMENT IN YEAR 5 2016

Parents seeking opportunity class placement for Year 5 entry in 2016 are required to submit an application by 15th May 2015.

Parents of students currently enrolled in a NSW public school should apply online by going to the NSW Public Schools website.

Online applications **open on Monday 27th April 2015.**

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (NAPLAN)

Students in Years 3 and 5 will sit the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) test next week on Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th May. The assessments are an opportunity for students to demonstrate what they have learned in class and teachers use these results to meet the individual literacy and numeracy needs of all students. It would be appreciated if every effort is made for your child to attend school on these dates.

Student of the Week

Kinder	Leah Lyall	Year 4	Emily Clark
Year 1	Archie Wheaton	Year 5	Ashley Smith
Year 2	Halle Smart	Year 5/6	Lachlan Clark
Year 3	Jayda Field	Year 6	Chloe Britt

SOUNDS OF THE MOUNTAINS

Each Wednesday morning at 10.15 am tune into FM 94.3 for Gundagai Public School news and upcoming events.

Our hosts this week are Merridy Glazebrook and Lochlan Bower.



CANTEEN ROSTER ~ TERM 2

Week	Monday 27 April	Wednesday 29 April
2	Stacy Smith and Toni Jones	Aileen Parker and Shannon Whiting
Week	Monday 4 May	Wednesday 6 May
3	Rebecca Gorman and Kate Lenehan	Lin Murray and Tracey Ingold

CLOTHING POOL

The clothing pool is open every Thursday from 9.00 am to 10.00 am for the purchase of new and used uniforms. If you are unable to attend the clothing shop, orders can be sent into school with payment.

STEWART HOUSE 2015 DONATION DRIVE ~ *Changing children's lives since 1931*

Your donation supports the 1,800 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW. An envelope is attached to today's newsletter. Please return to school by Friday 15th May 2015 to enable entries to be mailed to Sydney.

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY SAUSAGE SIZZLE

The P & C will be holding a sausage sizzle lunch following the Cross Country Carnival this Friday 1st May 2015. **Lunch MUST BE PRE-ORDERED.**

Sausage Sandwich (onion optional) \$2.00

Can of soft drink: \$2.00

Parents are most welcome to order and join their child/ren for lunch.

Tea, coffee, cakes and slices will be available on the day.



SAUSAGE SIZZLE ORDER FORM

Name: Class:

I would like to order:

..... Sausage Sandwich/es

..... Can/s of soft drink

Total Amount Enclosed: \$.....

Please return orders to school by Thursday